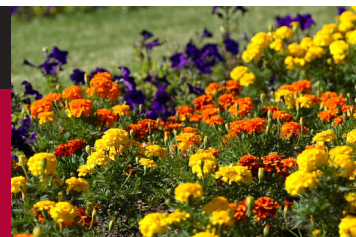


VILLAGE OF

*a great place to live, work, and play***BARRINGTON****A GREAT PLACE!**

Barrington is a beautiful, historic suburb that takes pride in its hometown charm and small-town heritage. More than 300 unique shops and restaurants are clustered in five distinct retail areas. The Village Center is the heart of town, with its stately Victorian homes, historic buildings, quaint shops, and restaurants for every palate.

**Village Report****THE COOLEST  
SUMMER EVER***Fourth of July Parade &  
Brat Tent Festivities***Brat Tent: Wednesday, July 3 - Saturday, July 6****Run for the Arts, July 4, 7:15 a.m.****Fourth of July Parade: July 4, 10:00 a.m.****Fireworks: July 4, Dusk**

Join us and be a part of the "America - Land of Hopes and Dreams" and "Homegrown in Barrington" Independence Day Parade. In addition to the parade, the committee is hosting an Essay and Poster Contest with Barrington area school children and the annual Food Drive. For more parade information, visit [www.barringtonparade.com](http://www.barringtonparade.com).

The 29th annual Fourth of July Festival, located in the Metra Train Station parking lot, is 4 days of great food, great music, and great family entertainment. For a complete schedule of events, please visit [www.Barrington4thofJuly.com](http://www.Barrington4thofJuly.com).

The 17th annual Run for the Arts 10K Run, 5K Run/Walk and 2K Fitness Walk begins at 7:15 a.m. at Park Avenue and Main Street. For more information, visit [www.signmeup.com/89918](http://www.signmeup.com/89918).

**BANDS PERFORMING DAILY**

Wednesday, July 3	4:30-7:30pm 8:30-11:30pm	Between the Lines The Suburban Cowboys
Thursday, July 4	12:00-2:00pm	Barrington's Community Band
Friday, July 5	4:30-7:30pm 8:30-11:30pm	Alex and the All Stars Sixteen Candles
Saturday, July 6	5:00-8:00pm 8:30-11:30pm	GrassRoots Presents: Rockstar 101 97nine Band

**9th UnCork Barrington  
July 12, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

Join us Friday, July 12th for 50 quality wines from 8 regions, live music, and complimentary hors d'oeuvres from many local restaurants. Early bird ticket prices are \$35 in advance and can be purchased at [www.uncorkbarrington.com](http://www.uncorkbarrington.com), or, you can still purchase tickets after July 5th and at the gate for \$50. This event helps to support many Barrington not-for-profits. Purchase tickets and watch for details at [www.uncorkbarrington.com](http://www.uncorkbarrington.com).

**10th Barrington Brew Fest  
July 13, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Barrington Area Council on Aging invites you to attend the Barrington Brew Fest on Saturday, July 13th to sample beer from over 20 regional brewers and micro-breweries, featuring over 50 craft beers. Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$45 at the door. Visit [www.barringtonbrewfest.com](http://www.barringtonbrewfest.com) or call (847) 852-3897 for more information.

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# Calendar

## OF EVENTS

**July 3 - 6**

### **4th of July Brat Tent**

*Metra Train Station/ Downtown Barrington*  
[www.barrington4thofjuly.com](http://www.barrington4thofjuly.com)

**July 4**

### **Run for the Arts**

*Downtown Barrington*  
[www.signmeup.com/89918](http://www.signmeup.com/89918)

**July 4**

### **Fourth of July Parade**

*Downtown Barrington*  
[www.barringtonparade.com](http://www.barringtonparade.com)

**July 4**

### **Fourth of July Fireworks**

[www.barringtonparade.com](http://www.barringtonparade.com)

**July 11, 18, 25, 6:30 p.m.**

### **Cruise Nights**

*Downtown Barrington*

**July 11, 18, 25, 2:00 p.m.**

### **Farmers Market**

*Downtown Barrington*

**July 12, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

### **UnCork Barrington**

*Metra Train Station/ Downtown Barrington*  
[www.uncorkbarrington.com](http://www.uncorkbarrington.com)

**July 12-14**

### **Concours D'Elegance**

*Makray Memorial Golf Club*  
[www.barringtonconcours.org](http://www.barringtonconcours.org)

**July 13, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

### **Barrington Brew Fest**

*Metra Train Station/ Downtown Barrington*  
[www.uncorkbarrington.com](http://www.uncorkbarrington.com)

**August 3, 10:00 a.m.**

### **Big Trucks Event**

*Ron Beese Park*  
[www.barringtonparkdistrict.org](http://www.barringtonparkdistrict.org)

**August 3, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m.**

### **A Night Out for Paul**

*McGonigal's Pub*  
[www.patches4paul.weebly.com](http://www.patches4paul.weebly.com)

# MORE COOL SUMMER EVENTS

## **2013 Barrington Concours d'Elegance**

**July 12 - 14, 2013**

A 40-mile Road Rally through the Barrington area, an elegant cocktail buffet on the lawn at Makray Memorial Golf Club and many other activities surround this weekend of events. This event is a charity benefit for Barrington Area Conservation Trust. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance at [www.barringtonconcours.org](http://www.barringtonconcours.org). For more information, please call (847) 381-4291.

## **Barrington Sidewalk Sales Days**

**July 25 - 27, 2013**

Enjoy the annual shopping spree throughout the shopping centers of Barrington. Shop our wonderful and unique stores for great deals. Bargains galore for the entire family. For more information, visit [www.barringtonchamber.com](http://www.barringtonchamber.com) or call (847) 381-2525.

## **Barrington Cruise Nights and Farmer's Market Thursdays**

**July 11 - Pontiac, Buick & Olds**

**July 25 - British Cars**

**July 18 - Exotic Cars**

**August 1 - Mopar**



Join us in downtown Barrington every Thursday, for the 10th season of Cruise Nights. The weekly car show is held every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. through August 29th. This event is FREE and is located in downtown Barrington in the Harris Bank Parking lot on South Cook Street, just south of Lake-Cook Road. Also, every Thursday through October, is the Barrington Farmer's Market. The market features fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, eggs, flowers, pastries, and so much more! Visit [www.barringtonfarmersmarket.org](http://www.barringtonfarmersmarket.org) for more information.

## **Big Trucks Event** **Saturday, August 3** **10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Explore the world of "Big Trucks" at Ron Beese Park and climb aboard fire engines, big semis, tow trucks, dump trucks and more. There will be dozens of vehicles and activities for the entire family, including big wheel races, a trackless train, and an inflatable. This event is free and everyone is invited! Visit [www.barringtonparkdistrict.org](http://www.barringtonparkdistrict.org) for more information.



## **Cruise Nights on Thursdays**

**PUBLIC MEETINGS****JULY**

01	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
02	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
08	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
09	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
10	Cultural Commission	12:00 pm
11	Emergency 9-1-1 Board	8:30 am
11	Foreign Fire Tax	9:00 am
11	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
15	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
15	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
16	Bike & Pedestrian Com	7:00 pm
23	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
25	Sesquicentennial Com	7:00 pm
25	Architectural Review	7:00 pm

**AUGUST**

05	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
06	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
08	Foreign Fire Tax	9:00 am
08	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
13	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
14	Cultural Commission	12:00 pm
19	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
19	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
20	Bike & Pedestrian Com	7:00 pm
22	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
27	Plan Commission	7:00 pm

**Call (847) 304-3400 for more information.**



Kicking off the 2013 Art Festival are (from left) Denise Devereaux Peters, Karen Darch, Amy Amdur, Anne Garrette, and Peg Blanchard

A message from  
Karen Darch,  
President of the  
Village of Barrington



## Protecting Barrington Residents:

### Top Quality Public Safety Services While Protecting Barrington Taxpayers with Sound Fiscal Management

*Nothing is more important than delivering top quality public safety, fire, rescue and emergency medical services to our community. The Barrington Fire Department delivers on this commitment every day, every shift, and every emergency call.*

*For many years the Barrington Fire Department has provided service by agreement to the much larger Barrington Countryside Fire Protection District (BCFPD or "District"). The District encompasses a 45-square mile area, far larger than Barrington's 5 square mile area. The current agreement's term expires at the end of 2013.*

*In 2012, the District asked the Village to hire seven additional firefighters/ paramedics to serve in the District's two stations. Upon carefully reviewing this request, the Village determined that call volume (average of 1.4 and 1.8 calls per day from each District station) does not support the need for additional personnel.*

*While the District was willing to pay for the current salaries and benefits for new employees, it in effect asked the Village and its taxpayers to assume the legacy cost burden of pension, healthcare and benefits for these employees for decades to come. After considering this proposal, the Village decided that it could not ask Barrington residents and taxpayers to foot the bill to cover these legacy costs for more District employees – especially in an era of skyrocketing pension and healthcare costs.*

*While our obligation to deliver public safety is unwavering, so is our obligation to carefully manage already scarce taxpayer dollars. We declined the proposal from the District.*

*The District subsequently notified the Village that it was ending the agreement between the District and the Village, citing the seven-employee issue and the desire for more hands-on management going forward.*

*The Barrington Countryside Fire Protection District's decision to terminate our agreement provides the Village with a unique opportunity to implement changes that will make Barrington Fire Department operations more efficient, more responsive and more cost-effective for residents and taxpayers.*

*Currently, the Village is working with a consultant to be sure that the structure of our fire department as of January 1 provides the same level of excellent service that Barrington residents rightfully expect and deserve. The consultant is reviewing proper staffing to ensure timely response, placement of equipment in the best location and our various automatic aid agreements. We expect to share the consultant's recommendations with you later this month.*

*Going forward, the Village has two goals:*

- 1. Maintain and even improve upon the same top-notch delivery of fire, rescue and emergency medical services that Barrington residents have come to expect over the years.*
- 2. Chart a course forward that delivers these essential services without placing any additional, undue burden on taxpayers in an era of increasing pension costs and sluggish economic growth.*

*We understand that when it comes to public safety and proper management of taxpayer dollars, there are many divergent opinions and that discussion of these issues can become spirited. The Village welcomes the discussion and hopes that the ongoing debate is respectful of others' views and based on the facts.*

*\*\*Please see the June 10, 2013 PowerPoint presentation, the President's message in the November 2012 newsletter, and updates as they are available on the Village website at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) for further information on this topic.*

*Karen Darch*

President, Village of Barrington



# Creating a More Vibrant Barrington

We are proud to announce two new businesses and one relocation of a business.

**Kooker's** has moved to 301 W. Northwest Highway, across the street from the original location. Their casual dining restaurant has something for everyone including hot dogs, burgers, Vienna beef, shakes, fresh-cut fries, burritos, salads, and unbeatable thick and rich flurries. Hungry for breakfast? They have that too! So come by and visit their new location today.

**Blue Cherry**, located at 115 S. Hough Street, serves delicious frozen yogurt with a large pick-your-own toppings station. They are open Monday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9:00 p.m. Blue Cherry offers a memorably sweetened adventure from the moment you walk in to the moment their frozen yogurt mingles with your taste buds. Stop in today!

**Carol & Company** is Barrington's newest boutique, located at 121B Barrington Commons Ct. They carry gifts that tell a story and that your family and friends will remember receiving for years to come. They sell modern vintage inspired jewelry, accessories and home decor items. Carol & Company is open Wednesday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or you can visit them at their online store at [www.carolandcompany.com](http://www.carolandcompany.com).



## Happy 31st Anniversary Sergio's Pizza



Located at 338 W. Northwest Highway, Sergio's has been serving outstanding food for years, from "Charlotte Style" extra thin crust to superior stuffed pizza. Also, delicious pasta served with homemade sauces and Barrington's best barbecue. Delivery, pickup or dine-in, have a drink and say "hi" to Tony. Open seven days a week, 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

## Planting a Tree??

If you are intending to plant a tree on the Village's right-of-way, please note that a permit is required and can be found on the Village's website at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) or you can call Public Works at (847) 381-7903.

## We're All Ears...

"We're All Ears" provides a way for YOU to communicate with the Village of Barrington elected officials and administration. Your advice, suggestions, questions and opinions are appreciated and will receive a response. There are several ways for you to communicate your thoughts. You can email the Village directly at [vobvm@barrington-il.gov](mailto:vobvm@barrington-il.gov), visit the "contact us" section on our website at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov), call (847) 304-3444, or fill out the following form and mail to: Village of Barrington, 200 South Hough Street, Barrington, IL 60010. Name and mailing address or email address are required in order to receive a response.



Name:

Email:

Date:

Address

Phone:

# Village News You Can Use

## Village Addresses Flooding Events



In April, a storm caused flooding of several streets and basements and an overload of our sewage treatment plant. The overload was caused by storm water entering our sanitary sewer system. The Village is committed to finding and correcting situations where storm water enters our sanitary system.

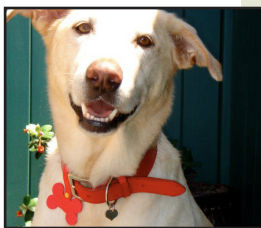
The next step in this corrective process is "smoke testing". In this process, non-toxic smoke is introduced into the sanitary sewer system. By observing where the smoke escapes, storm water connections to the sanitary sewer can be detected.

The Village has contracted with a company called Sewer System Evaluations, Inc. to assist us in this process. Work in several areas of the Village will begin on July 8, 2013. Residents and businesses in the areas where the smoke testing is being conducted will be notified with door hangers and flyers, and they will also be notified of improper connections discovered during the smoke testing process.

You can help by checking your downspouts and sump pump connections and ensuring that they are not connected to the sanitary sewer system. Public Works is available to assist you in making this determination. Additional information is available at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov), or you may contact the Public Works Department, Monday through Friday at (847)381-7903.

## Dog Tags are Due July 1st

These tags are only \$5 and can mean the difference between losing your dog and the Police Department returning your dog safely to you. These dog tags are available at the Village Hall or online at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) and are effective from July 1st through June 30th. If a dog is found without a Village or County tag, its owner can be charged a minimum of \$10 for the first offense. If you have any questions, please call (847) 304-3400.



## A Night Out for Paul

**August 3, 2013, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m.**



Paul is the son of Barrington Police Officer Garrett Oberkircher. Paul was recently diagnosed with RMS, a childhood cancer of the soft tissue. While his prognosis looks good, Paul will need to undergo not only radiation, but 45 rounds of intensive chemotherapy. The Barrington Police Department is hosting a fundraising event, where all proceeds will go directly to the Oberkircher family to help defray the expenses they are facing. A Night Out for Paul will be held Saturday, August 3rd

from 6:00 - 11:00 p.m. at McGonigal's Pub, 105 Cook Street in Barrington. Tickets are available online at [www.patches4paul.weebly.com](http://www.patches4paul.weebly.com) or at the door.



From the desk of  
Jeff Lawler,  
Village Manager



Photo: Thomas Balsamo

## Village Achieves Solid Financial Performance in 2012

In early June, the Village Board reviewed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012. The CAFR is the end result of the audit process and presents balance sheets and income statements for all of the Village's accounting funds. Consistent with Village tradition, the 2012 audit concluded with a clean opinion from the auditor attesting that the CAFR presents the Village's finances "fairly, in all material respects". In addition, the Village received the Government Finance Officer's Association Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 28th year in a row for its 2011 CAFR.

In 2012, the Village improved upon the positive financial results from the previous three years by improving its overall Net Financial Position by \$2.8 million, increasing its total Net Position to \$86.1 million (Net Position is the difference between assets and liabilities). The Village's total assets increased by \$2.2 million to a total of \$120.5 million and its total liabilities decreased by \$640,000 to a total of \$34.4 million. The Village's current assets, which can be converted into cash within a year, equaled \$32.8 million at the end of 2012 which was more than the Village's total liabilities of \$30.6 million.

The General Fund, which provides the bulk of services such as public safety and public works, has achieved positive balances since 2009, with surpluses of \$1,497 in 2009, \$29,827 in 2010, \$85,577 in 2011, and \$94,553 in 2012. At the end of 2012, the General Fund's ending Fund Balance was \$10.3 million and included the equivalent of 4.42 months of expenditures in the Unassigned Fund Balance, the portion of the Fund Balance used to meet ongoing obligations to residents and creditors. These positive financial results in the General Fund were achieved even after transferring \$1.275 million to the Capital Improvement Fund for future infrastructure improvements.

In addition to the strong performance in the General Fund, significant investments in the Village's infrastructure occurred in 2012. The Capital Improvement and Water & Sewer Funds together expended \$5.449 million to reconstruct or repair infrastructure in the community. In 2012, 1.2 miles of Village streets were repaved or reconstructed, including improvements to the related infrastructure such as water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer mains as well as curb and gutter, and sidewalks. The Village also constructed or replaced 4,075 linear feet of water main, 2,115 linear feet of sanitary sewer main, and 200 linear feet of storm sewer main. Additionally, the Village made significant improvements to its sanitary sewer treatment facilities in 2012, including the completion of the reconstruction of the secondary clarifier and the design engineering for the reconstruction of several lift stations.

In summary, the Village remains in an enviable financial position when compared to many other cities and villages and especially the State of Illinois. The Village responded rapidly to the economic events of 2008 by reducing its staff by 17% and making significant reductions in expenditures (General Fund 2008 expenditures were \$17,209,191, 2012 General Fund expenditures equaled \$14,864,109, a reduction of \$2,345,082 or 13.63%). These reductions combined with improving revenues have produced four years of balanced budgets for the General Fund and contributed to the generally healthy financial condition of the Village.

*Jeff Lawler*


Village Manager



# Scenes from the Barrington Art Festival



**Pitch In to Conserve Water** Now that summer is here, additional water is being used by residents to maintain lawns, gardens, and trees, which places a higher demand on our water system. The Village has an ordinance establishing limitations on water use. *We also ask that you make a conscious effort to conserve this precious resource throughout the remaining summer.*



**OUTSIDE WATER CONSERVATION**

	EFFECTIVE 9/16 - 5/31 ALL RESIDENTS	EFFECTIVE 6/1 - 9/15 ODD/EVEN	AS REQUIRED ODD/EVEN	AS REQUIRED ALL RESIDENTS
USE OF SPRINKLER/IRRIGATION SYSTEM FOR ANY WATERING	5 a.m. - 10 a.m. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	5 a.m. - 10 a.m. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	NOT ALLOWED	NOT ALLOWED
HAND WATERING SOD, TREES, SHRUBS AND GARDENS	EVERY DAY/ ANYTIME	EVERY DAY/ ANYTIME	5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	NOT ALLOWED
CLEANING CARS, SIDEWALKS, DECKS, FILLING POOLS, ETC.	EVERY DAY/ ANYTIME	EVERY DAY/ ANYTIME	EVERY DAY/ ANYTIME	NOT ALLOWED

\*AT ALL TIMES A SHUTOFF DEVICE IS REQUIRED AT THE END OF THE HOSE

## Water conservation tips:

Run dishwashers and washing machines with a full load only (unless reduced fill settings are available).

Take shorter showers. Turn down the faucets and try a low-flow shower head. A typical five-minute shower can use over 40 gallons of water. A shower of seven minutes or longer can consume more water than a bath.

A typical toilet leak can waste thousands of gallons of water each year.

Don't leave water running when shaving, brushing teeth, washing hair, or washing dishes.

A small drip from a leaking faucet can waste 70 gallons of water each day. Replace worn washers.

Insulate hot water pipes between the heater and the faucets to reduce the amount of water that must be run to get hot water.

When washing a car, rinse it once. Use a bucket of soapy water to wash it, and then rinse it once more quickly. Taking a car to a car wash may save water since many commercial installations recycle their water.

One inch of rain or watering over a 7 to 10 day period is sufficient to maintain a healthy lawn. There is no need to water every day, as it promotes weak, shallow, rooted grass.

Reset automatic irrigation systems to meet the changing Village water status. Watering during the morning hours is best for your lawn to prevent evaporation loss.

Grass beginning to turn brown during dry conditions has become dormant and will revive after a normal rainfall.

Avoid sprinklers that produce a fine mist. Too much water is lost to the wind and evaporation.

Sweep sidewalks and driveways, instead of washing them.

# Cultural and Community News

## Beginning Naturalists Camp Summer 2013

### *Citizens for Conservation*

CFC's Youth Education offers Leave No Child Inside oriented programs and summer camps. For details and registration, visit [www.citizensforconservation.org](http://www.citizensforconservation.org) or call (847) 382-SAVE.

## Summer Library Club: Have Book, Will Travel Summer 2013

### *Barrington Area Library*

The Barrington Area Library invites children, teens and adults to sign up for this year's Summer Library Club, "Have Book, Will Travel." Earn prizes and rewards just for doing what you love - reading, listening to audio books and visiting the library. Complete details and registration may be found on the library web site, [www.balibrary.org](http://www.balibrary.org).

## Basic Composting July 13, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

### *Smart Farm Campus*

Composting can lessen the amount of garbage you send to landfills while making beautiful, nutrient-rich soil for your garden. The workshop will take place at the Good Shepherd Hospital Campus. Visit [www.smartfarms.org](http://www.smartfarms.org) to register.



## Poetry Reading July 13, 2013, 9:00 a.m.

### *Northwest Cultural Council*

Deborah Nodler Rosen will lead a poetry discussion regarding "luminous poetry" Visit [www.northwestculturalcouncil.org](http://www.northwestculturalcouncil.org) for registration.

## Barrington Cultural Arts Center

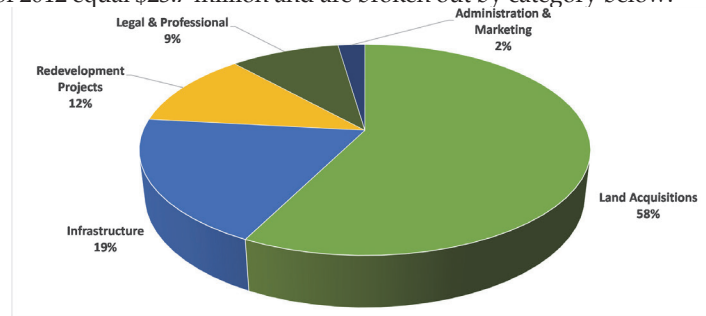
BCAC's vision is to help create a community of local artists and to promote exhibition, performance, and teaching opportunities for all. BCAC has galleries located in the Ice House Mall, Starbucks on Hough St, Starbucks on Rt. 14, Good Shepherd Fitness Center, Wool Street Bar & Grill, Fresh Flower Market, Barrington Bank & Trust on Hough Street, and the Barrington Park District. For more information on how to get involved with BCAC, visit [www.barringtonculturalartscenter.org](http://www.barringtonculturalartscenter.org).



# Village Center Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Expenditures

The 2012 TIF report was filed with the State of Illinois on June 30, 2013 as required by Illinois Statute. The 2012 report is the 13th report to be filed by the Village (2000 through 2012) and 2012 was the midpoint year of existence for the Village Center TIF District (the District was created in 2000 and will end in 2023). Total expenditures through the end of 2012 equal \$23.7 million and are broken out by category below:

Category	Amount	Percent
Land Acquisition for Redevelopment	\$13,595,152	57.42%
Infrastructure Improvements	\$4,577,444	19.33%
Project Costs (Cook St Plaza, other businesses)	\$2,746,281	11.60%
Legal & Professional Services	\$2,214,229	9.35%
Administration & Marketing	\$543,805	2.30%
Total	\$23,676,911	



Land acquisitions, at 58% of total expenditures, comprised the largest percentage of expenditures by the TIF District. The Village purchased the former Adco property in 2001 and decided in 2007 to assemble the properties at the intersection of Hough and Main Streets to provide for the redevelopment of the entire area. The Village continues to own the land and can choose to lease or sell all, or a portion, of the land, if such would encourage the redevelopment of the TIF District or benefit the Village's financial position. The land is an asset and has been added to the Village's total balance sheet and helped improve the Village's Net Financial Position to \$86 million at the end of 2012 (Net Financial Position is the Village's Total Assets minus Total Liabilities, essentially the economic value that would remain if the Village ceased to exist).

Infrastructure improvements, including street construction, streetscape improvements, utility burials, and beautification projects comprise the second largest category of expenditures as the Village has put a lot of effort into improving the infrastructure and aesthetics of the Village center. Redevelopment Projects equaled 11.60% of total costs for the TIF District, and included the reimbursement for the underground public parking garage at Cook Street Plaza for \$1,775,000, site preparation costs for \$551,045 (this includes demolition of buildings and removal of environmental contamination from redevelopment sites owned by the Village), and business improvement grants for \$420,236. Legal & Professional Services and Administration & Marketing both comprise less than 10% of the total costs incurred by the TIF District.

The expenditures that have been made in the TIF District have helped improve real estate values in the District by 57% since the District was established. The TIF District now receives more than \$950,000 per year in tax increment revenue as a result of the development activity in the Village Center which would not have occurred without the TIF District investment. The \$950,000 per year in TIF Increment is more than sufficient to retire all of the outstanding debt of the TIF District by 2023 and this is reflected in the Aa1 bond rating the Village received from Moody's Investor Services when it refinanced the outstanding TIF District Bonds to lower interest costs in 2012.

One of the positive aspects of the Village's use of the TIF District has been the Village Board's commitment to avoiding direct payments to Developers. The only development project reimbursement that has been made by the Village was to Cook Street Plaza, LLC for the construction of the public portion of the underground parking at Cook Street Plaza. This reimbursement caused the construction of a significant public asset that will be owned by the Village and available to the public for at least 50 years. Besides Cook Street Plaza, the Village has not made a reimbursement or payment to any other developer throughout the entire existence of the TIF District.

# Did You Know?

There is an easy way to get timely alerts on local news such as emergency bulletins or crime alerts? Visit [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) to get connected.



## Village Vision

*The vision of Barrington is to preserve and promote its unique small-town heritage, preserve its distinct ecological and historical character, provide a moral and safe environment, maintain a high quality of life through the efficient use of community resources, and respond to future challenges through citizen participation in all civic, social and cultural endeavors.*

Due to Holiday schedules, Groot refuse, recycling, and yard waste pick-up will be Saturday, July 6.

## It's Construction Season in Barrington

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

'Tis the season for seemingly never-ending construction projects and road work. There are several projects occurring in Barrington. To help keep you informed, we provide weekly construction updates on our website at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov). It is important to remember that not all roads fall within the Village's jurisdiction, so we try our best to keep you informed on all projects, even those that are the responsibility of other governmental entities.



Remember to always be safe while driving. In particular, while in a construction zone, the State of Illinois requires motorists to stop all wireless phone communications, slow down, and yield to any authorized vehicles or workers in the area. We understand that driving through construction zones can sometimes be frustrating, but we encourage you to always err on the side of safety.



### Free Wood Chips Available

Why pay for mulch, when you can get free wood chips from the Village? Stop by the Public Works facility on Raymond Avenue today.



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